

SEX OR KIDNAPPING OFFENDER INFORMATION BULLETIN **LEVEL 3 NOTIFICATION OF RELEASE**

SPECIAL ASSAULT UNIT SEX AND KIDNAPPING OFFENDER REGISTRATION DETAIL

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The Seattle Police Department is releasing the following information pursuant to RCW 4.24.550, the Washington State Supreme Court decision in State v. Ward, and the US Supreme Court decision in Connecticut Dept. of Public Safety v. Doe (2003) which authorizes law enforcement agencies to inform the public of a sex or kidnapping offenders release when the release of information will enhance public safety and protection.

The individual who appears on this notification has been convicted of a sex or kidnapping offense that requires registration with the sheriff's office in the county of their residence. Further, their previous criminal history places them in a classification level, which reflects the potential to re-offend.

This sex or kidnapping offender has served the sentence imposed on him by the courts and has advised the King County Department of Public Safety that he will be living in the location below. HE IS NOT WANTED BY THE POLICE AT THIS TIME. THIS NOTIFICATION IS NOT INTENDED TO INCREASE FEAR; RATHER, IT IS OUR BELIEF THAT AN INFORMED PUBLIC IS A SAFER PUBLIC.

The Seattle Police Department has no legal authority to direct where a sex or kidnapping offender may or may not live. Unless court ordered restrictions exist, this offender is constitutionally free to live wherever he chooses.

Sex and kidnapping offenders have always lived in our communities; but it wasn't until passage of the Community Protection Act of 1990 (which mandates sex and kidnapping offender registration) that law enforcement even knew where they were living. In many cases, law enforcement is now able to share that information with you. Citizen abuse of this information to threaten, intimidate or harass registered sex or kidnapping offenders will not be tolerated. Further, such abuse could potentially end law enforcement's ability to do community notifications. We believe the only person who wins if community notification ends is the sex or kidnapping offender, since they derive their power through secrecy.



Name: Rossman, John R.

AKA:

Birth date: 3/25/1978 Age: 28 Sex: Male Race: Asian Height: 5'5" Weight: 145 Hair: Black **Eyes: Brown**

Scars/Marks/Tattoos: Multiple scars on his back.

RESIDENCE ADDRESS: Homeless

CRIME OF CONVICTION: Rape of a Child 3 **COUNTY OF CONVICTION**: King, 1995

SUSPECT RELATION TO VICTIM: Acquaintance

VICTIM PROFILE: Female child 12 - 15

ADDITIONAL VICTIMS OF ABOVE CRIME?: No **ADDITIONAL VICTIM PROFILE:**

ADDITIONAL CRIMINAL HISTORY: Rape 2

TREATMENT ?: Received maximum benefit status SUPERVISION?: Under supervision of DOC

ATTENDING SCHOOL?

HOW CRIME WAS FACILITATED: Rossman had a sexual dating relationship with a 14 year old girl even though he was 23 and knew the victim was 14. He had a previous conviction for Rape 2 of a 7 year old child. Rossman was 12 years old at the time.

Additional sex or kidnapping offender information:

As of the date of this bulletin, there are 19,127 sex or kidnapping offenders who have registered as required (since 2/28/90) and are living in Washington State. 4,215 of these are registered to King County addresses. 1,374 are registered to addresses within the city limits of Seattle.